



RESOLUTION

establishing

THE CENTER FOR MULTICULTURAL RESEARCH AND
URBAN EDUCATION

at

CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

May 9, 1997

- WHEREAS, Instruction, research and public service are interconnected elements of the mission of the Connecticut State University System, and
- WHEREAS, The Strategic Plan of the Connecticut State University System pledges each University in the System to enhance public education, including collaborative programming with elementary and secondary schools and the development of teacher education curriculum and program standards responsive to the needs of contemporary schools and society, and
- WHEREAS, The CSU Strategic Plan also pledges the universities to enhance support for the quality of urban life and to ensure access, equity, and retention within the CSU System, and
- WHEREAS, Central's Strategic Plan for 1997-2003 includes as a priority initiative the development of a Center for Multicultural Research and Urban Education in the School of Education and Professional Studies, and
- WHEREAS, Central's Strategic Plan envisions the Center as a partner for and resource with the State Department of Education, the Capitol Region Education Council, the Professional Development Schools network, and Central Connecticut State University faculty, and
- WHEREAS, Central also envisions the Center as playing a major role in the recruitment and retention of CCSU faculty and students, with emphasis on prospective teachers from under-represented groups, and
- WHEREAS, The Center will also serve as a resource to the university in the development of a curriculum which reflects the growing diversity of the state, country, and world, now, therefore, be it



Connecticut State University System



April 28, 1997

Dr. Andrew G. DeRocco
Commission
Department of Higher Education
61 Woodland Street
Hartford, CT 06105

Dear Commissioner DeRocco:

On behalf of the CSU Board of Trustees I request your consideration and that of the Board of Governors on the following matters.

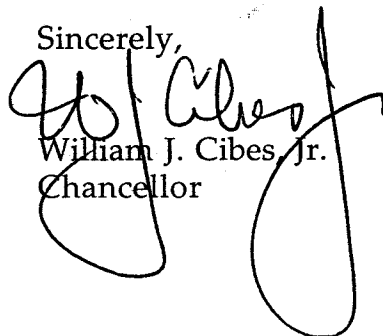
Central Connecticut State University has requested the elimination of the Bachelor's in Physical Science General Degree Program (40010) currently listed on the program inventory. President Judd of Central has certified that all students enrolled in this program have graduated.

Southern Connecticut State University has submitted two new program requests for licensure and accreditation: A Bachelor of Arts Degree in Music and a Masters of Arts Degree in Women's Studies. Copies of the application documents, program summaries, and two campus catalogs will be submitted directly to the Department of Higher Education from Southern.

Western Connecticut State University has also requested a revision to their Master of Public Administration Degree request and feels that it would be more appropriate to request licensure and accreditation as a Master of Science Degree in Justice Administration. Program documentation is currently at the Department of Higher Education.

These requests were all authorized by our Board of Trustees by resolutions of April 4, 1997, copies enclosed. Please let me know if further information is needed.

Sincerely,



William J. Cibes, Jr.
Chancellor

cc: CSU Presidents

ITEM

Center for Multicultural Research and Urban Education at Central Connecticut State University

BACKGROUND

The Center for Multicultural Research and Urban Education has been developed from its predecessor the Center for Multicultural Research and Education, which operated under the auspices of the School of Education and Professional Studies.

The mission of the Center for Multicultural Research and Urban Education is to serve as a primary source in providing professional development support and technical assistance for university and school faculty and administrators in individual and systemic change for education that is multicultural. The goals that guide the work of the Center are:

- provide a variety of professional development programs and opportunities for K-12 and university faculty that support development of education that is multicultural;
- establish working partnerships with school and university faculty and administrators aimed at building effective education institutions that are multicultural;
- serve as a resource center in disseminating research and information about developing curriculum that is multicultural and emphasizes systemic change towards culturally responsive pedagogy;
- support efforts to recruit and retain students representing diverse cultural backgrounds in the teacher preparation program; and
- support research in building curriculum that is multicultural and emphasizes systemic change towards a culturally responsive pedagogy.

The Center for Multicultural Research and Urban Education, as proposed, is consistent with the mission of Central Connecticut State University.

ANALYSIS

The Center for Multicultural Research and Urban Education is under the direct supervision of a faculty member in the Department of Educational Leadership who reports in this capacity to the Dean of the School of Education and Professional Studies. The Director has established an Advisory Committee for the Center that includes 25 representatives from the CCSU community as well as the larger educational community in the Greater Hartford area. The responsibilities of the Advisory Committee members will be to provide advice in the achievement of the goals of the Center. It is anticipated that the committee will meet twice yearly.

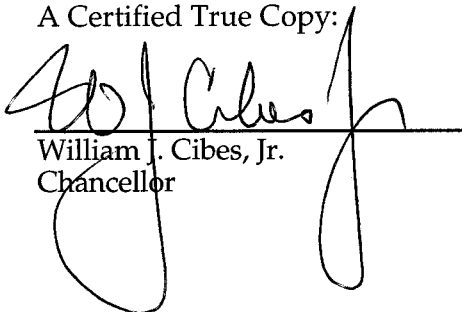
President Judd has recommended the establishment of the Center

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION

Approve the establishment of the Center for Multicultural Research and Urban Education with a sunset date of December 31, 2002, if the Center is not recommended for continuation.

- RESOLVED, That the Center for Multicultural Research and Urban Education is established as an organized academic, research, and service unit at Central Connecticut State University, and be it further
- RESOLVED, That the Center for Multicultural Research and Urban Education may seek and receive contracts and grants from public and private organizations and may charge fees for services related to the functions stated above provided that all applicable state and university regulations are observed, and be it further
- RESOLVED, That all funds received by the Center shall be deposited in the Operating Fund at Central Connecticut State University in accounts established for the Center. Such funds shall be used for the purposes of the Center and appropriate university support functions, and be it further
- RESOLVED, That the President of Central Connecticut State University shall forward annual reports to the CSU Chancellor, and shall evaluate the Center for Multicultural Research and Urban Education with a recommendation of continuance or discontinuance of the Center to the Board of Trustees on September 1, 2002, and be it further
- RESOLVED, That the Center for Multicultural Research and Urban Education at Central Connecticut State University shall go out of existence on December 31, 2002 unless the Board of Trustees acts to the contrary.

A Certified True Copy:



William J. Cibes, Jr.
Chancellor